

**REMARKS**

Applicant has amended claim 1, cancelled claims 6-7, and added new claims 9-14. Claim 1 was amended to include a limitation on seamless switching as described on page 22, lines 5-16 and page 24, lines 11-12 of the specification. Claim 2 was amended to correct a typographical error. Claims 3-4 were amended in accordance with Claim 1. Claim 5 was amended to include a limitation for large scale proxy streaming media delivery, as supported on page 25, lines 4-15 of the specification. Claim 8 was amended to correct a typographical error. New claims 9-11 include limitations comparable to those in claims 3-5, respectively. New claims 12, 13, and 14 are method claims including limitations having a number of limitations in common with claims 1 and 8. Entry and consideration of the foregoing preliminary amendment prior to examination is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16, 1.17, and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-3117.

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